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Sir :

Responsive to the Office Action of November 17, 2006, the period for response extending until February 20, 2007 (February 17, 2007 being a Saturday, and February 19, 2007 being a Federal Holiday), reconsideration of the action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are believed appropriate in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Inasmuch as this amendment is being filed by the three-month date of February 20, 2007 (February 17, 2007 being a Saturday, and February 19, 2007 being a Federal Holiday), this response is being timely filed and no fee is believed necessary. However, should any extension of time be needed the same is hereby requested and authorization is hereby provided to charge any necessary fees to preserve the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

*Amendments to the Claims* appear in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 5 of this paper.